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☐ Application No. , filed on ,
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I/we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified application, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above;

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DECLARATION

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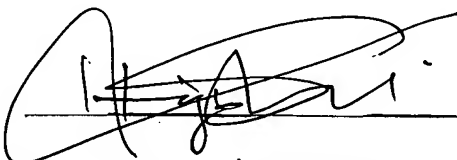
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